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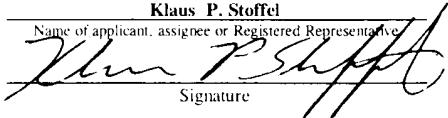
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LETTER WITH PROPOSED DRAWING CHANGES

SIR:

As required in the Official Action dated April 10, 2001, Applicant(s) hereby propose changes to the drawings as indicated in red on the attached copies.

More particularly, Fig. 5b is proposed to be changed to provide reference numeral 52..

The above-requested changes are based upon the specification and drawings as originally filed and it is respectfully submitted that no new matter, of the kind prohibited by 35 U.S.C. §132, is introduced thereby.

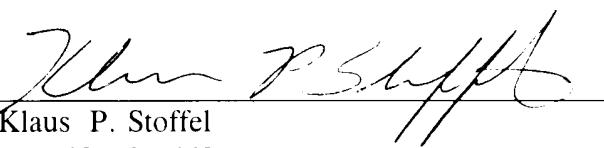
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Upon approval by the Examiner of the above-requested changes and the issuance of a Notice of Allowance, Applicant(s) will promptly attend to amending the formal drawings in keeping with present Office practices.

Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

Respectfully submitted,
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Encl. Proposed Drawings